

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows.

On page 6, after the paragraph ending on line 28, please insert the following new paragraph.

Fig. 11 is a block diagram showing another embodiment of the billing system according to the present invention.

Please amend the paragraph on page 8, lines 3-11 as follows.

~~Now, in the case w~~Where the distribution service described above for distributing the service program 41 is a business commercially provided for users, it can be assumed that a ~~billing user~~ is carried out charged at the time of such distribution or at fixed time intervals until the dissolution of a contract for receiving distribution the service program 41 is distributed. Alternatively, the user may be charged per unit time until expiration of the distribution contract. In this case, it is possible for if the server terminal 20 is authorized to distribute the service program 41 to an unlimited number of other terminals 30 in unlimited numbers and. Consequently, if one of the terminals that receive[[s]]d the service program 41 can function serves as a server terminal, the service program 41 would be distributed without limit. However, a problem may exist that the person managing the server 10 which is capable of unlimited distribution of the service program 41 can only obtain a billing of transmissions to the first server terminal may charge no more than an amount due based on the first distribution to the server terminal.

Please amend the paragraph on page 20, line 31 through page 21, line 3 as follows.

Further, because the server terminal 20 carries out notifies [[a]] other terminals 30
billing of its own to be charged for the received service program and is equipped with has a
distribution function for distributing the service program to the other terminals 30[[],].
The billing for the actual to other terminals 30 that use the service program may be
carried out notified from each of such the other terminals 30. In this case, each of the
terminals 30 that received [[a]]the service program sends a notice indicating reception of
suchthe service program (together with information such as the name of the service
program) to a billing server 50, and then in accordance with suchthe notice, the billing
server 50 carries out [[a]] billing services for the other terminals 30 issued suchthe
notice.